

Instructions for Completing the COMMERCIAL USE AUTHORIZATION (CUA) Application for Canaveral National Seashore

If you plan to guide in the waters of Canaveral National Seashore, a permit is required by law. To apply for a Commercial Use Authorization permit to operate as a commercial fishing guide within Canaveral National Seashore or Merritt Island Wildlife Refuge, you will need to do the following:

- Legibly print (or type) all requested information on your application forms; making sure to date and sign where indicated.
- Furnish a photocopy of your **U.S. Coast Guard Motorboat Operator License** for Uninspected Passenger for Hire Vessels (six-pack license) clearly showing your name, permit number, and issue date. Both sides of license need to be copied.
- Furnish a photocopy of your **State of Florida Saltwater Fishing License** with the appropriate stamps or endorsements.
- Furnish a photocopy of your **Vessel(s) Registration**. Registration use needs to be completed as “commercial.”
- Insurance. Furnish proof of **Liability Insurance**. Your policy must specifically name U.S. Federal Government as “Additional Insured”. Permits without that endorsement clearly stated on your policy will not be processed. (Please do not attach your entire insurance policy document to your application). The minimum amount of liability coverage required is \$300,000.00

Submit your completed application paperwork to:

Canaveral National Seashore 212 S. Washington Ave. Titusville, Florida 32796

Your application, permit history, and financial reporting records will be reviewed for compliance. A submitted application does not serve as a temporary permit. If no problems are identified, a Commercial Permit will be prepared. Once you have signed the approved permit and paid the appropriate fee, you will receive a copy of the permit, a wallet-size permit card, and a boat decal (if you provided a current copy of your boat registration). **Please allow 10 business days to process your permit.**

To expedite the processing of your permit, it is imperative that you completely & legibly prepare your application, and submit it along with valid copies of the required documents identified above. Substantive errors, omissions, illegible entries, and missing or expired documentation frequently delay the processing of commercial business permits.

APPLICANTS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR FURNISHING COPIES OF ALL REQUIRED DOCUMENTS WITH COMPLETED APPLICATION FORM. COPIER SERVICES ARE READILY AVAILABLE AT LOCAL AREA RETAIL OUTLETS.

Please Note: Throughout the term of your permit, you must provide Canaveral National Seashore with updated copies of all mandatory licenses, registrations and insurance documents incidental to this permitted activity.